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SUBJECT: OPIC: CONGRESSIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT ON BRAZIL

REF BRASILIA 529

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED INQUIRIES FROM TWO US BUSINESS CONCERNS
IN BRAZIL (HANNA MINING AND AGRICO) REQUESTING EMBASSY ASSISTANCE
IN EXPEDITING CENTRAL BANK APPROVAL OF THEIR FIRMS' INVESTMENT
PROJECTS FOR PURPOSES OF OPIC INSURANCE. BOTH BUSINESSMEN WERE
ANXIOUS TO HAVE CENTRAL BANK APPROVAL ISSUED BEFORE JAN 31
AND ONE SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED POSSIBLE IMMINENT SUBMISSION OF HUMAN
RIGHTS REPORT ON BRAZIL TO CONGRESS AS CAUSE FOR HIS CONCERN.
EMBOFF WHO SPOKE WITH LATTER DID NOT COMMENT ON ISSUANCE OF REPORT.

2. IN THE ABSENCE OF SPECIFIC INFORMATION AND/OR INSTRUCTIONS FROM
THE DEPT., REQUESTED REFTEL, THE EMBASSY DOES NOT PLAN TO PURSUE
THESE AND OTHER PENDING OPIC PROJECTS WITH THE CENTRAL BANK IN ORDER
TO AVOID (1) THE SEMBLANCE OF CONFIRMING RUMORS WHICH ARE OBVIOUSLY
ALREADY CIRCULATING IN BUSINESS COMMUNITY ON AN OPIC RELATED HUMAN
RIGHTS REPORT AND (2) PRECIPITATING (FROM ITS OWN STANDPOINT
POSSIBLY UNNECESSARY) ACTION BY GOB TERMINATING OPIC PROGRAM.
(SEE REFTEL).

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